

**THE REPORT OF  
THE ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES  
REVIEW COMMITTEE, 2001**

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**17th October 2001**

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**ON THE REPORT OF THE**  
**ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES REVIEW COMMITTEE**

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The Prime Minister received the Report of the Electoral Boundaries Review Committee on 16 October 2001.

The Committee recommended the adoption of:

- 9 Single Member Constituencies comprising
  - (i) Ayer Rajah
  - (ii) Bukit Timah
  - (iii) Chua Chu Kang
  - (iv) Hougang
  - (v) Joo Chiat
  - (vi) MacPherson
  - (vii) Nee Soon Central
  - (viii) Nee Soon East
  - (ix) Potong Pasir
  
- 14 Group Representation Constituencies (GRCs) comprising
  - (i) 9 GRCs returning 5 Members of Parliament each
    - (1) Aljunied
    - (2) Bishan-Toa Payoh
    - (3) Holland-Bukit Panjang
    - (4) Hong Kah
    - (5) Jalan Besar
    - (6) Jurong

- (7) Pasir Ris-Punggol
- (8) Tampines
- (9) West Coast

(ii) 5 GRCs returning 6 Members of Parliament each

- (1) Ang Mo Kio
- (2) East Coast
- (3) Marine Parade
- (4) Sembawang
- (5) Tanjong Pagar

- the total number of Members of Parliament to be returned is 84.

With the exception of **BISHAN-TOA PAYOH, HOUGANG, NEE SOON CENTRAL** and **POTONG PASIR**, all other electoral divisions have changes in their respective boundaries.

The Government has accepted the recommendations of the Committee and will implement them at the next General Election. Its Report is attached as an Appendix.

The Prime Minister,  
Singapore

Sir

1 The Electoral Boundaries Review Committee was entrusted with the following terms of reference:

“To review the boundaries of the present electoral divisions and to recommend the number of Group Representation Constituencies and Single Member Constituencies basing on the number of electors found in the latest Registers of Electors. In the review, the Committee should take into consideration the significant increase or decrease of electors in the current electoral divisions as a result of housing development since the last boundary delineation exercise.

There should be a minimum of eight Single Member Constituencies as prescribed by the Parliamentary Elections Act, Chapter 218”.

2 The number of electors as on 31 August 2001 is 2,035,422. This is an increase of 154,862 electors over 1,880,560 electors recorded in the 1996 Registers of Electors.

3 Following past practices and basing on eighty-three Members of Parliament (MPs), the Committee noted that a Single Member Constituency (SMC) would have an average of 24,500 electors. With the application of a 30% deviation from the average, the number of electors for a SMC ranges from the minimum of 17,000 to the maximum of 32,000. Thus the ranges for the SMC and the Group Representation Constituency (GRC) are as follows:

<u>Ranges of Electors</u>			
		<u>Minimum</u>	<u>Maximum</u>
• SMC	-	17,000	32,000
• 4-MP GRC	-	68,000	128,000
• 5-MP GRC	-	85,000	160,000
• 6-MP GRC	-	102,000	192,000

4 The Committee noted that the following electoral divisions have their respective numbers of electors outside the minimum and maximum ranges as follows:

<u>SMCs</u>	<u>GRCs</u>
1. Kampong Glam - 15,862	1. Cheng San - 172,474
2. Potong Pasir - 16,594	2. Jalan Besar - 60,503
	3. Kreta Ayer-Tanglin - 66,189
	4. Sembawang - 253,831
	5. West Coast - 63,886

5 The Committee then reviewed all the 9 SMCs and the 15 GRCs and proposed 9 SMCs and 14 GRCs as summarised below:

#### 5.1 Single Member Constituencies

The 9 SMCs are:

- (i) Ayer Rajah which gives one polling district (AR05) to West Coast.
  - (ii) Chua Chu Kang which gives one polling district (CK10) to Hong Kah and two polling districts (CK11 and CK12) to Holland-Bukit Panjang.
  - (iii) MacPherson which takes two polling districts (MA30 and MA31) from Marine Parade.
  - (iv) Bukit Timah
  - (v) Joo Chiat
  - (vi) Nee Soon East
  - (vii) Hougang
  - (viii) Nee Soon Central
  - (ix) Potong Pasir
- which are 3 new electoral divisions created from parts of 3 GRCs, namely, Bukit Timah, East Coast and Sembawang respectively.
- which remain intact.



## 5.2 Group Representation Constituencies

The 14 GRCs are:

(i) Nine GRCs to return 5 MPs each:

- Aljunied
- Bishan-Toa Payoh
- Holland-Bukit Panjang
- Hong Kah
- Jalan Besar
- Jurong
- Pasir Ris-Punggol
- Tampines
- West Coast

(ii) Five GRCs to return 6 MPs each:

- Ang Mo Kio
- East Coast
- Marine Parade
- Sembawang
- Tanjong Pagar

## 5.3 Total number of Members of Parliament

There will be a total number of 84 MPs. Nine will be returned from the SMCs and 75 from the 14 GRCs.

## 5.4 New Names of some Constituencies

The changes of boundaries also lead to the use of the following new names:

(i) SMCs

- Joo Chiat
- Nee Soon East

(ii) GRCs

- Holland-Bukit Panjang
- Jurong
- Pasir Ris-Punggol

6 The Committee recommends that:

- (i) the 9 Single Member Constituencies; and
- (ii) the 14 Group Representation Constituencies to return 5 or 6 Members of Parliament each, as described in para 5.2

be adopted.

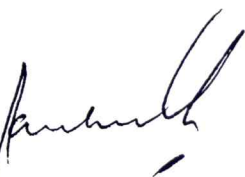
7 The map and details of the recommendations are given in the Annexes.



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CHAIRMAN



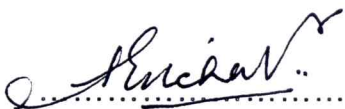
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MR PETER CHAN  
DEPUTY CHAIRMAN



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MR TAN KEE YONG  
MEMBER



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MRS LEOW BEE GEOK  
MEMBER



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MR ROBIN CHAN  
SECRETARY

Date: 15 Oct 2001

**14 GROUP REPRESENTATION CONSTITUENCIES  
AND  
9 SINGLE MEMBER CONSTITUENCIES**

**GRCs**

No.	Group Representation Constituencies	Composition		No. of Electors
		Constituencies	Polling Districts of Constituencies	
1	Aljunied	-	1) Aljunied 01 to 10, 12 to 21 and 23 to 31	82,167
			2) Cheng San 20 to 25, 27 to 32 and 36 to 38	42,807
			3) Pasir Ris 35 and 37	70
				<b>125,044</b>
2	Ang Mo Kio	-	1) Ang Mo Kio 01 to 35	107,876
			2) Cheng San 39 to 57	58,671
				<b>166,547</b>
3	Bishan-Toa Payoh	Bishan-Toa Payoh	-	114,552
				<b>114,552</b>
4	East Coast		1) East Coast 01 to 42	117,203
			2) Aljunied 32 to 38	26,710
				<b>143,913</b>



No.	Group Representation Constituencies	Composition		No. of Electors
		Constituencies	Polling Districts of Constituencies	
5	Holland-Bukit Panjang	-	1) Bukit Gombak 02	2,224
			2) Bukit Timah 01 to 10	29,525
			3) Chua Chu Kang 11 and 12	4,776
			4) Kreta Ayer-Tanglin 01	4,059
			5) Sembawang 59 to 77	59,348
			6) Tanjong Pagar 01 to 07	18,778
				<b>118,710</b>
6	Hong Kah	-	1) Hong Kah 01 to 24 and 39 to 50	111,107
			2) Bukit Gombak 01, 03 and 07 to 10	17,267
			3) Chua Chu Kang 10	616
				<b>128,990</b>
7	Jalan Besar	1) Jalan Besar		60,503
		2) Kampong Glam		15,862
			Kreta Ayer-Tanglin 14 to 19 and 21 to 23	23,828
				<b>100,193</b>
8	Jurong	-	1) Bukit Gombak 04 to 06	8,273
			2) Bukit Timah 18 to 30 and 33 to 42	74,093
			3) Hong Kah 25 to 33 and 35 to 38	32,686
				<b>115,052</b>

No.	Group Representation Constituencies	Composition		No. of Electors
		Constituencies	Polling Districts of Constituencies	
9	Marine Parade	-	1) Marine Parade 01 to 29 and 32 to 46 2) Aljunied 11 and 22 3) Ang Mo Kio 36 and 37	129,040 4,944 6,087 <b>140,071</b>
10	Pasir Ris-Punggol	-	1) Pasir Ris 01 to 23 and 36 2) Cheng San 01 to 19, 26 and 33 to 35	63,022 70,996 <b>134,018</b>
11	Sembawang	-	Sembawang 01, 02, 09 and 12 to 58	166,027 <b>166,027</b>
12	Tampines	Tampines	Pasir Ris 24 to 34	99,710 25,655 <b>125,365</b>
13	Tanjong Pagar		1) Tanjong Pagar 08 to 43 2) Kreta Ayer-Tanglin 02 to 13 and 20	102,751 38,302 <b>141,053</b>
14	West Coast	1) West Coast 2) Boon Lay	1) Ayer Rajah 05 2) Bukit Timah 43 to 51 3) Hong Kah 34	63,886 17,000 4 26,400 3,321 <b>110,611</b>

## SMCs

No.	Single Member Constituencies	Composition		No. of Electors
		Constituencies	Polling Districts of Constituencies	
1	Ayer Rajah	-	Ayer Rajah 01 to 04, 06 and 07	18,460
				<b>18,460</b>
2	Bukit Timah	-	Bukit Timah 11 to 17, 31 and 32	26,939
				<b>26,939</b>
3	Chua Chu Kang	-	Chua Chu Kang 01 to 09	24,845
				<b>24,845</b>
4	Hougang	Hougang	-	23,303
				<b>23,303</b>
5	Joo Chiat	-	East Coast 43 to 51	21,705
				<b>21,705</b>
6	MacPherson	MacPherson	Marine Parade 30 and 31	17,616
				4,382
				<b>21,998</b>
7	Nee Soon Central	Nee Soon Central	-	22,976
				<b>22,976</b>
8	Nee Soon East	-	Sembawang 03 to 08, 10 and 11	28,456
				<b>28,456</b>
9	Potong Pasir	Potong Pasir	-	16,594
				<b>16,594</b>

**NUMBER OF ELECTORS AS ON 31 AUGUST 2001**  
(Existing Electoral Divisions)

<u>Electoral Division</u>	<u>No. of Electors</u>	<u>Electoral Division</u>	<u>No. of Electors</u>
ALJUNIED *	113,821	JALAN BESAR *	60,503
ANG MO KIO *	113,963	KAMPONG GLAM	15,862
AYER RAJAH	18,464	KRETA AYER-TANGLIN *	66,189
BISHAN-TOA PAYOH *	114,552	MACPHERSON	17,616
BOON LAY	17,000	MARINE PARADE *	133,422
BUKIT GOMBAK	27,764	NEE SOON CENTRAL	22,976
BUKIT TIMAH *	156,957	PASIR RIS *	88,747
CHENG SAN *	172,474	POTONG PASIR	16,594
CHUA CHU KANG	30,237	SEMPAWANG *	253,831
EAST COAST *	138,908	TAMPINES *	99,710
HONG KAH *	147,114	TANJONG PAGAR *	121,529
HOUGANG	23,303	WEST COAST *	63,886
		<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b><u>2,035,422</u></b>

\* Group Representation Constituency



GROUP REPRESENTATION CONSTITUENCIES  
AND  
SINGLE MEMBER CONSTITUENCIES

